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SUBJECT: FRENCH PRIME MINISTER VISITS BRITAIN

SUMMARY: FRENCH PRIME MINISTER BARRE MADE BRIEF
PRIVATE VISIT TO LONDON JANUARY 11. IN ADDITION TO
DELIVERING SPEECH TO MEETING OF FRENCH CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE, BARRE HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH UK PRIME MINISTER
CALLAGHAN AND CHANCELLOR HEALEY. PRESS COVERAGE IS
SPARSE AND THERE ARE FEW DETAILS OF SUBSTANCE OF TALKS;
AGREEMENT OF FRENCH AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS ON NEED FOR
AN EARLY ECONOMIC SUMMIT MEETING WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT
CARTER WAS ANNOUNCED. END SUMMARY.

1. FRENCH PRIME MINISTER BARRE MADE A BRIEF PRIVATE
VISIT TO LONDON JANUARY 11, HIS FIRST VISIT TO UK IN
HIS PRESENT POSITION. PRIME REASON FOR TRIP APPEARS TO
HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED SPEECH BY BARRE AT MEETING OF FRENCH
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN LONDON. IN HIS SPEECH, BARRE
URGED FRENCH COMPANIES TO INVEST IN BRITAIN, BOTH IN
DISTRIBUTION SECTOR AND IN PRODUCTION. BARRE ALSO
STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION
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BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

2. RE BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, BARRE EXPRESSED
HIS CONVICTION THAT MEASURES RECENTLY ADOPTED, COMBINED
WITH FINANCIAL HELP FROM INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS,
WOULD ACCELERATE ECONOMIC RECOVERY OF BRITAIN.

3. BARRE HAD HOUR AND HALF MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN, FOLLOWED BY ANNOUNCEMENT THAT FRENCH AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS AGREED ON THE NEED FOR AN EARLY ECONOMIC SUMMIT MEETING WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER, WITH UNEMPLOYMENT HIGH ON THE AGENDA. CALLAGHAN INDICATED BRITAIN WOULD BE HAPPY TO HOST MEETING BUT THAT HE WOULD ALSO BE WILLING ATTEND SUCH A SUMMIT ELSEWHERE. THEREAFTER BARRE WENT TO SEE CHANCELLOR HEALEY.

4. COMMENT: FCO OFFICIAL HAS TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER FCO WAS NOT REPEAT NOT INVOLVED IN BARRE'S VISIT, DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN BARRE-CALLAGHAN TALKS, AND HAS SEEN NO MEMORANDA OF CONVERSATION.

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